

## PTU COMMUNICATION – August 27, 2024

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Dear Colleagues,

Last night, the Council of Commissioners approved a new calendar for the Youth Sector for this current academic year (2024-2025). Two important changes require immediate implementation. The [revised calendar is available on the LBPSB website](#).

First, our new collective agreement includes changes regarding teacher-led pedagogical days:

- We now have four teacher-led pedagogical days (an increase from two). As before, the content of these teacher-led pedagogical days is **determined by the individual teacher**: no meetings may be imposed by administration or others.
- The pedagogical days that have been designated for 2024-2025 are:
  - The second pedagogical day in August (status quo).
  - One of your school-level pedagogical days (status quo).
  - January 24, 2025.
  - May 16, 2025.
- New for 2024-2025: the teacher may also determine the location in which they complete their work on these four teacher-led pedagogical day. Teachers may come to work or may choose to work from home: the choice is yours!
- New for 2024-2025: a fifth pedagogical day must also be designated on which the school board determines the content, but the individual teacher chooses the location to do their work. The school board has chosen to designate the QPAT Convention pedagogical day of October 18, 2024 in such a way. Although we were hoping to see a different day designated, this will help protect the Convention pedagogical day in the future.

Secondly, following years of advocacy and intervention by PTU, the school board has agreed to immediately add a twentieth pedagogical day to the calendar: the aforementioned teacher-led pedagogical day on May 16, 2025. With this change, we are no longer one of the few school boards or service centres in the province with an extra teaching day.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all current and former members of the PTU Negotiating teams going back to the dawn of the LBPSB: their persistent determination to pursue the twentieth pedagogical day has finally borne fruit!

Please do not hesitate to contact us at the PTU Office with any questions or concerns, and look for a communication in the next week with additional changes to the new collective agreement to be aware of.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Wilson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Matt Wilson  
PTU President